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1. APRIL 3, TORONTO STAR CARRIES LENGTHY
ARTICLE BY STAFF WRITER PATRICK FELLOWS ENTITLED:
"DESPITE US LAW CANADIAN SUBSIDIARY SELLS
FREELY TO CUBA". ARTICLE REPORTS THAT
BF GOODRICH CANADA HAS SOLD TIRES TO CUBA
UNDER A POLICY APPROVED BY US PARENT COMPANY
SINCE 1958. PETER B. MASON, PRESIDENT OF THE
SUBSIDIARY, IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE POLICY
OF BF GOODRICH CANADA ALLOWS IT TO SELL TO
ANY COUNTRY PROVIDED IT OBTAINS THE APPROPRIATE
EXPORT OR IMPORT PERMITS FROM THE GOVERNMENTS
CONCERNED. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, ANOTHER
COMPANY SPOKESMAN HAS SAID THAT BF GOODRICH
CANADA HAS A "SUBSTANTIAL" ORDER FROM CUBA
THIS YEAR FOR TIRES AND TUBES FOR FARM
EQUIPMENT AND TRUCKS. GERARD ALEXANDER,
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EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE US PARENT

COMPANY AND CHAIRMAN OF THE CANADIAN SUBSIDIARY,
REPORTEDLY SAID THAT COMPANY HAS NOT BEEN IN
A POSITION TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE TRADING
WITH THE ENEMY ACT AND THAT, IN HIS
OPINION, COMPANY DOES NOT MAKE SENSITIVE PRODUCTS.
ARTICLE QUOTES ALEXANDER FURTHER: "WHERE
CANADIAN LAWS APPLY AND THE GOODS ARE OF
CANADIAN ORIGIN, WE ABIDE BY CANADIAN LAW."
REMAINDER OF ARTICLE DESCRIBES DIFFICULTY
EXPERIENCED BY FELLOWS IN ELICITING
SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT FROM STATE, COMMERCE AND
TREASURY OFFICIALS ON THE APPLICATION OF THE
TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT.

2. FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE BEING AIRPOUCHED TO
STATE, EUR/CAN AND EB/EWT; TREASURY, SOMMERFIELD;
AND COMMERCE, MEYER.

3. FELLOWS TELEPHONED EMBASSY MARCH 20, AND
CONVERSATION RECORDED IN OUR MEMCON OF SAME
DATE COPIED TO EUR/CAN, EB/WRIGHT, AND
TREASURY-SOMMERFIELD.
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